Dear Friends and Neighbors:

You have probably noticed the large white trucks in the front of the neighborhood parked at manhole covers. First Utility District (FUD) is lining Village Green sewer pipes, which are the oldest in FUD’s system. The subcontractor is currently running the video cameras down the lines. A robot will be sent down the lines to cut root infiltration, and then a liner will be installed—hopefully from the manhole covers. The liner system can line up to 500 feet of main line from each manhole under ideal conditions. FUD is trying to limit the need to do much digging, but the lateral lines from residences sometimes will need some remedial work where they join the main line. Until the contractor films and starts work at your section of line they have no way to predict where and when they might need to dig. The contractor will post notices at residences if you are to refrain from using the lines for a day.

Ninety percent of our 2009 homeowner assessments have been paid to date. That means we are $13,725.00 short of our budgeted income. If you have not paid your annual assessment give Michele Stockdale a telephone call right away to arrange payment. At our next meeting the board will be voting to place liens on unpaid assessments. These liens greatly increase your debt as you are liable for the cost of preparation and recording the lien. Our pools and clubhouse are some of the oldest in Farragut and need maintenance and repair often, and our assessments are essential to maintain the value of our neighborhood amenities.

Continue to report suspicious activity to Paul Hodges or myself. Some of our residences and the clubhouse have been egged. We want to thank them for placing their empty egg cartons in the trash container.

Beginning next month our newsletter will be available via email. Only a handful of folks have requested to receive a written newsletter by US mail. But, only 117 have signed-up so far to receive the newsletter via email. Instructions for signing-up are on page 2. In addition to saving mail costs, we will have a network of emails whereby neighbors can be notified of other matters in the neighborhood—such as cancelation of an event, the FUD sewer repair schedule, pool closings for pump repairs, the burglary on the next street over, etc.

As always, if you have concerns or see issues that need addressing, don’t hesitate to telephone me or the board member you know.

Barton Kaserman
SWIM TEAM NEWS

There is still time for VG residents to register for swim team!

Any children ages 5 (by May 31) to 18 who love to swim and live in Village Green are welcome to join the team. Until May 8 the $25 late fee will be waived. If you are interested in joining the Village Green Gators, contact Heather Finley at 675-3479 or email heath-fin@yahoo.com.

Swim practice will begin on Tuesday, May 26, at the South Monticello Pool. Drivers, please be careful in the mornings as young Gators walk or bike to practice!
The practice schedule is:
8-9 am - 10 and under
9-10 - 11 and 12 years
10-11:30 - 13 and up
11:30-12:15 – 1st year swimmers (rookies)

ALZHEIMER’S CAREGIVERS

A support group for persons caring for loved ones with Alzheimer’s disease now meets on the first Tuesday evening of each month at the Village Green Clubhouse, starting at 6:30 p.m.

The focus of the group is limited to Alzheimer’s and related dementia. “Caregivers” are defined as persons who have primary responsibility for their loved one’s health needs, whether that individual lives independently, resides in an assisted living facility or is cared for in a nursing home. The group’s purpose is to connect caregivers with one another for mutual support. The format is informal. Members share experiences and provide information about educational opportunities for those in the care giving role. For more information call Carole Conklin, 966-4461, or Sherry Paris, 675-5285. The next meeting is June 2 at 6:30

HOW TO GET THE NEWSLETTER

Beginning next month the VG newsletter will be US mailed only to those who send a note to the Village Green Board (address on front page) requesting a mailed copy.

To receive your email copy, you have just a few days left to go online and request it.
- Go to www.VillageGreenWeb.com
- Click on Residents (userid is “village” and the password is “green#1”)
- Click on the blue button “Sign Up Today”

HEAR THE FROGS

Ijams Nature Center is doing a free talk on "Can You Hear the Frogs" on June the 18th at 6:30. A fun family event for listeners of all ages. Please join us at the Clubhouse for light refreshments and drinks. Donations to the Ijams Nature Center are appreciated. Any questions, please call Amanda Metzelder at 865-406-3810.

OPENING POOL PARTY

Mark your calendars! Opening Pool Party May the 23rd. at 4 pm. Come meet your pool staff! Hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks will be provided. Residents who live in even-numbered house addresses should bring desserts and odd-numbered house addresses bring a side dish to share.

Thanks to all the participants in the Annual Spring Garage Sale. My family and I shopped the sale in the pouring rain and found numerous goodies. Unfortunately, the rain did keep quite a few residents from participating in the sale.

If you are interested in doing another sale in June, contact Amanda Metzelder at 865-406-3810 or amandametzelder@aol.com. I will need a minimum of 15 people to commit and a fee of $5 to cover advertising costs and balloons.

You may have noted that the Farragut Press had a recent article stating that the planned Town Center development directly across from our Kingston Pike entrance has been canceled. Therefore our entrance will remain undisturbed.
Village Green Swim Lessons and Water Aerobics

Sherry Hunter will again offer swim lessons this summer. Lessons are planned for babies, children, and adults, beginning in June. For more information (and for pictures), go to www.VillageGreenWeb.com, click on Activities, and then click on Swim Lessons. To register, please send an email to Sherry at SwimTeacher@gmail.com with your contact information, the swimmer’s name and age, and current water skills (head under, jumps into water, etc.). Indicate known dates you won’t be available (e.g., VBS, trips, etc.) and preferred times for lessons (morning, afternoon). Or, you may contact Sherry Hunter directly at 966-3305. If you are interested in water aerobics, please email Sherry with your name and whether you prefer mornings or evenings.
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You must notify Dick Woodring by mail or phone
Record your name on the answering machine

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